

Application Serial No.: 10/031,105
Amdt. dated July 7, 2006
Reply to Office Action of May 2, 2006

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

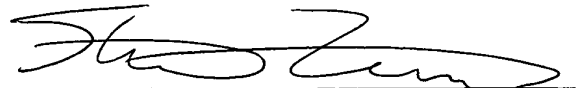
The Non-Final Office Action dated May 2, 2006 has been carefully considered. In response to the Office Action, Applicants have canceled Claims 5 and 8-10 and amended Claim 6 which, when considered with the remarks set forth below, are deemed to place the case in condition for allowance. As a result of the present Amendment, it is believed that the application with Claims 4, 6 and 11 is now in condition for allowance.

In the Office Action, Claims 4 and 11 have been allowed and Claim 6 has been deemed allowable if rewritten to overcome a rejection under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, set forth in the Office Action. Claim 5, however, has been objected to as being of improper dependent form.

In response, Applicants have canceled Claim 5 and amended Claim 6 to depend from allowed Claim 4. Applicants have also canceled nonelected Claims 8-10. Accordingly, it is believed that the application with Claims 4, 6 and 11 is now in condition for allowance.

In view of the foregoing amendment and remarks, favorable consideration and allowance of the application with Claims 4, 6 and 11 are respectfully solicited. If the Examiner believes that a telephone interview would assist in moving the application toward allowance, he is respectfully invited to contact the Applicants' attorney at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,



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